IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
GERHARD HOEFLE, ET AL.	:	Examiner: Taofiq A. Solola
Application No.: 09/313,524	:	Group Art Unit: 1625
Filed: May 17, 1999	; ;)	Confirmation No.: 4030
For: EPOTHILONES C, D, E, AND F, PREPARATION AND COMPOSITIONS	;) ;	October 30, 2007

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

as follows:

Prior to action on the merits, please amend the above-identified application